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MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF, INTERDEPARTMENTAL COORDINATING
AND PLANNING STAFF

SUBJECT: Administrative Report for NIA Meeting.

The following information is in connection with the administrative progress which has been made since the last NIA meeting, to be used by the Director in reporting to the NIA on the progress made by C.I.G.:

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(3) The transfer of the Washington Document Center from the jurisdiction of the War and Navy Department to C.I.G. was completed as of 1 December and is now considered an integral part of the agency under the Office of Operations.

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(4) The transfer of the [REDACTED] from the War Department was completed as of 3 November 1946, except for overseas activities which were transferred as of 29 December. The delay in transferring overseas activities was due to administrative difficulties which could not be settled prior to the effective date of the transfer.

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(6) C.I.G. has recently received from PBA 20,000 square feet of additional office space for expansion of C.I.G. activities.

(7) During the quarter ending 31 December 1946, a draft of proposed enabling legislation for the C.I.G. was prepared by the Legislative Liaison Division. This draft was prepared at the request of Mr. Clark Clifford, Special Counsel to the President and was transmitted to the White House at their request on 2 December 1946.

(8) Consideration is being given by the Legislative Liaison Division to possible revision of the Espionage Laws of the United States. Proposed revisions were submitted to the Attorney General by the Secretary of War in June of 1946, in which the Navy Department and the FBI concurred. At present, it is believed that no further action has been taken by the Department of Justice on this matter. A possible solution would be the inclusion in the proposed C.I.G. Enabling Act of a section on Control of Information. This should include a section making it a crime to possess classified information illegally, without the necessity of proving that the information was obtained "with intent or reason to believe" that the information is "to be used to the injury of the United States, or to the advantage of a foreign nation."

(9) Steps are being taken to correlate all the information necessary for the budget hearings before the Congressional Appropriations Committees. It is hoped that all the hearings in connection with the C.I.G. budget will be in Executive Session, and that any testimony on highly classified material will be held to an absolute minimum.

(10) The problem of possible labor union activity within C.I.G. is being considered, with the hope that this can be kept at an absolute minimum.

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